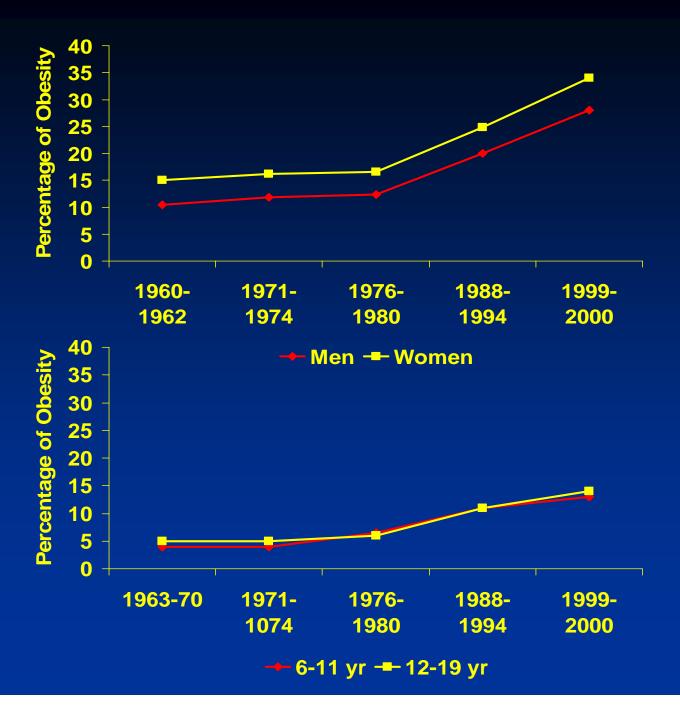
# **America On the Move: A National Public- Private Initiative to Address Obesity**

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Weight Reduction Weight Gain
Prevention

Environmental Opposition

**Strong Opposition** 



Less Strong
Opposition

**Behavior changes** 

Big Changes in Ein and/or PA



Very Strong
Opposition

Small Changes
In Ein
and/or PA



No Strong Opposition?

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Biological
Opposition

#### Obesity, once established, is difficult to reverse

- Biological challenges
- Behavioral challenges

## Prevention of Weight Gain

- Small behavior changes required
  - -must increase activity
  - -Small changes in food intake (eat smarter)
- Small environmental changes
  - —Targeted to support and sustain specific behavior changes

**Time** 

## What behavior changes are required?

- Increased physical activity large for weight reduction; small for prevention of weight gain
- Decreased energy intake large for weight reduction, small for for prevention of weight gain
- Weight reduction substantial food restriction (deprivation) necessary
- Preventing weight gain eating smarter not deprivation



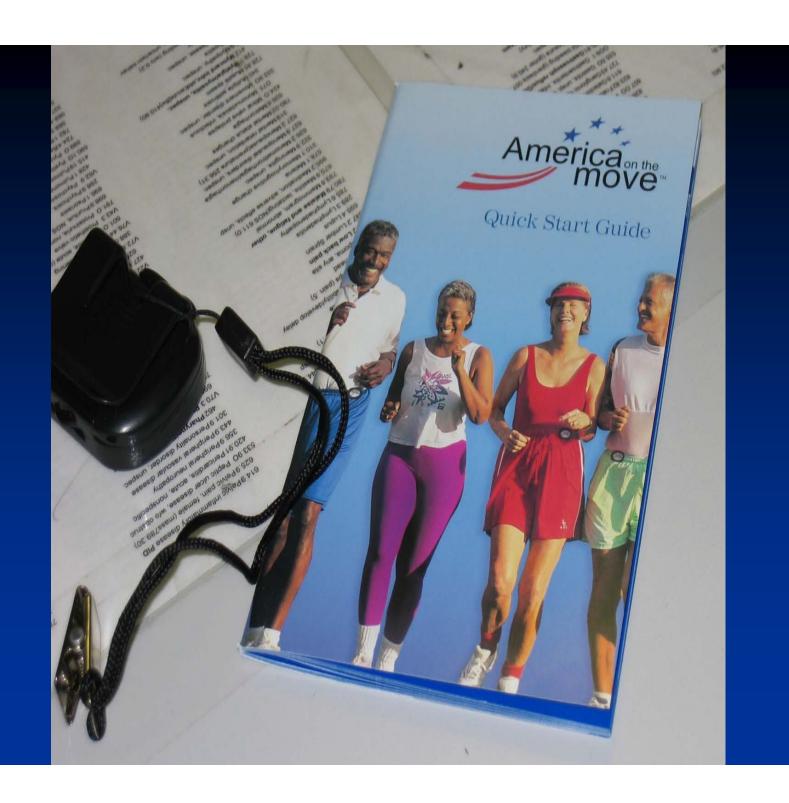
Program of the America On the Move Foundation www.americaonthemove.org

#### America on the Move

- Community Weight Goal First Stop Weight Gain
- Behavioral Goal Make two small changes
  - Increase walking by 2000 steps/day (100 calories)
  - Choose one behavior each day to eliminate 100 calories
  - Continue to make more small changes by incrementally increasing step goal and improving diet quality
- Sustainability
  - Environment modification

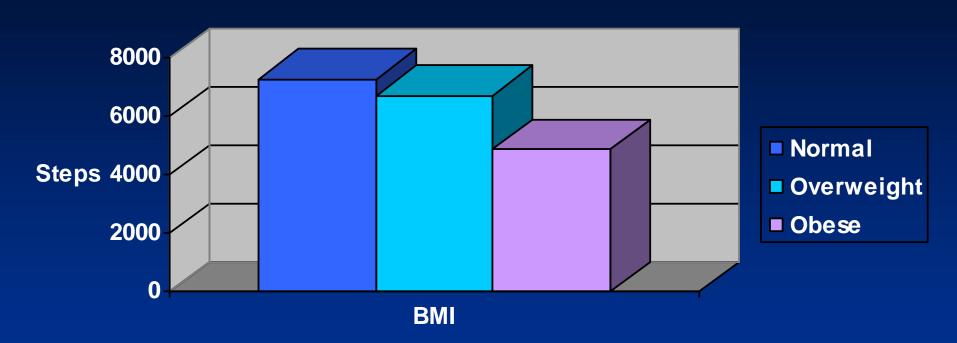
## **AOM Programs**

- Individuals
- Worksites/Organizations
- Schools
  - Elementary Balance First
  - $-\,Middle\,-\,$  Balance First; Middle Schools on the Move ; Take  $10^{TM}$
- Families Families on the Move
- Health Professionals in final stages of development
- At retail locations with private partners



## **Steps and BMI**

Figure 7: Steps Per Day by BMI



Normal weight individuals average about 2000 more steps/day than obese individuals

### Average Steps/Day in 3 Surveys

	Men	Women	% obese
Colorado	6733	6384	16.0
U.S.	5940	5276	22.8
Tennessee	4547	4730	25.0

## **Elementary School Program**

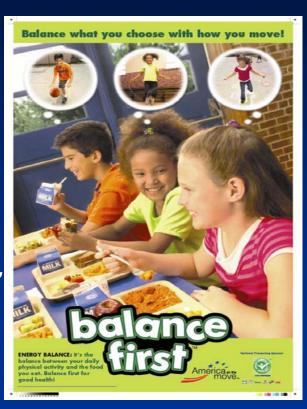
#### Fall 2004: Balance First Lesson Plans

- Target: 2.5 million students grades 1-5 (6000 schools)
- Comprehensive lesson plans designed to educate, support and inspire kids to develop energy balance skills and practice healthy lifestyle habits

Twenty-five percent (25%) of students are in "at risk" Idistricts:

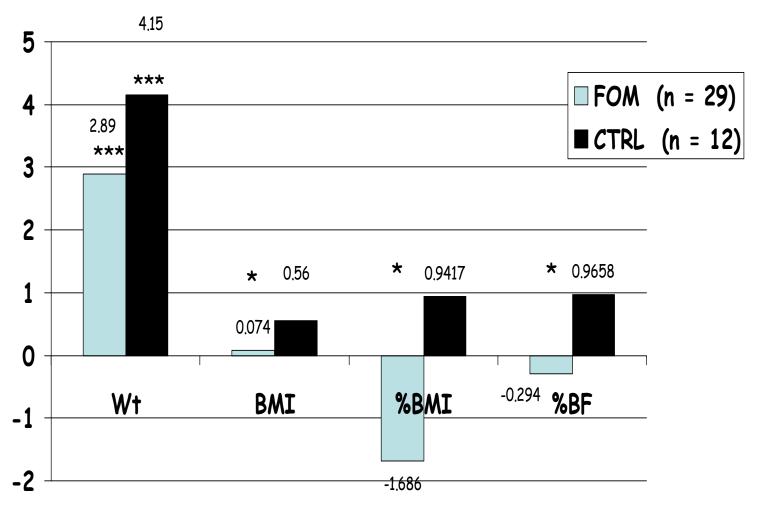
- major market districts serving lower income (<\$45,000)</p>
- neighborhoods in the inner city or on the urban fringe
- > suburbs with over 50% Hispanic or African-American enrollment.





#### **AOM for Families**

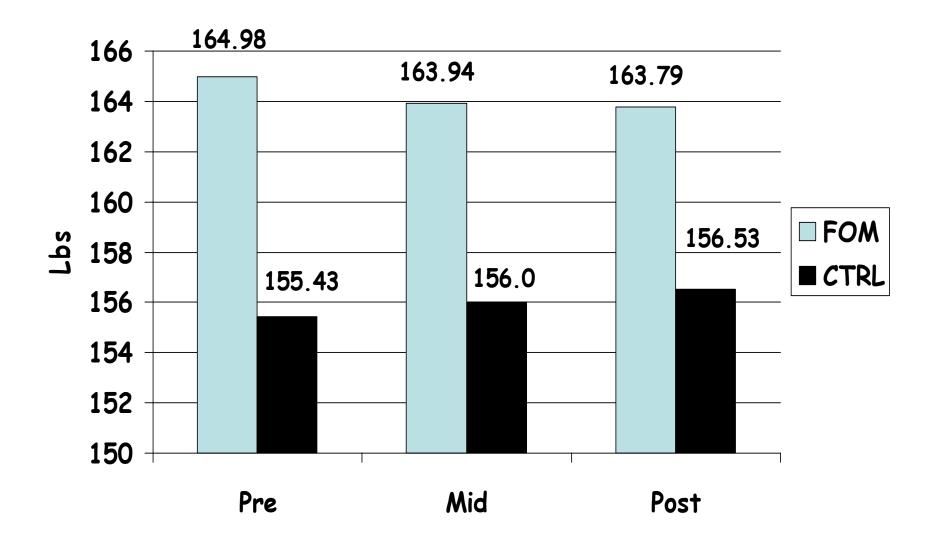
#### Target Girls

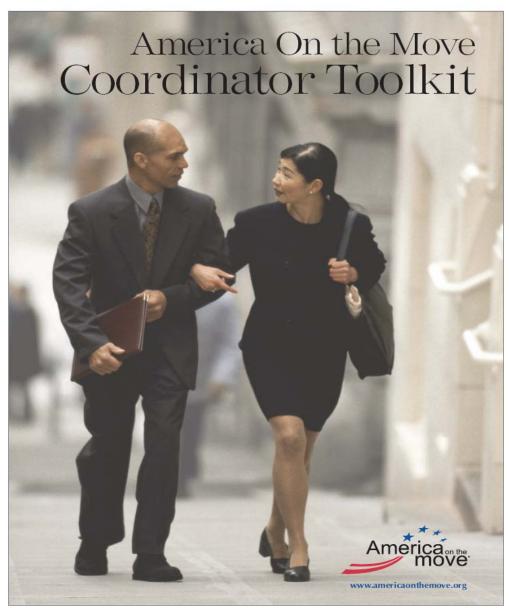


\*\*\* = significant increase

\* = significant difference in mean change between groups

Moms





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# Get On the Move...

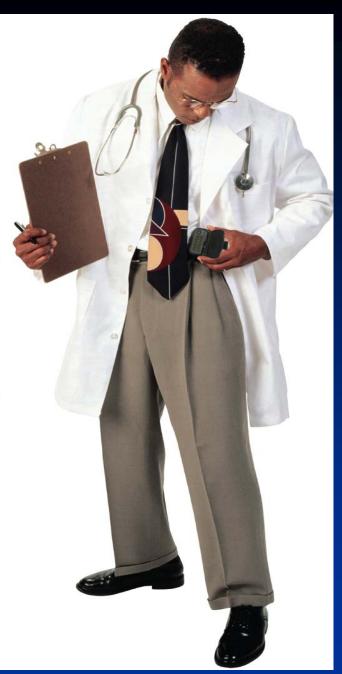
#### Come Join The Fun At www.americaonthemove.org And:

- Find out how 2 simple changes can help shape better health
- Learn how to Get On the Move and Stay On the Move at a pace that's right for you
- Track your progress with fun, easy-to-use tools
- Get support from others as you increase your steps

#### Take The Get On The Move Challenge

- Increase daily steps by 2000, equivalent of 1 mile
- Reduce calorie intake by 100, equivalent of 1 pat of butter

You'll get tips, tools and six weeks to track your progress along well-known American trails.





#### America On the Move

- Start with where people are now
- Small changes to move toward a healthy lifestyle

# **Eating & Physical Activity Patterns**

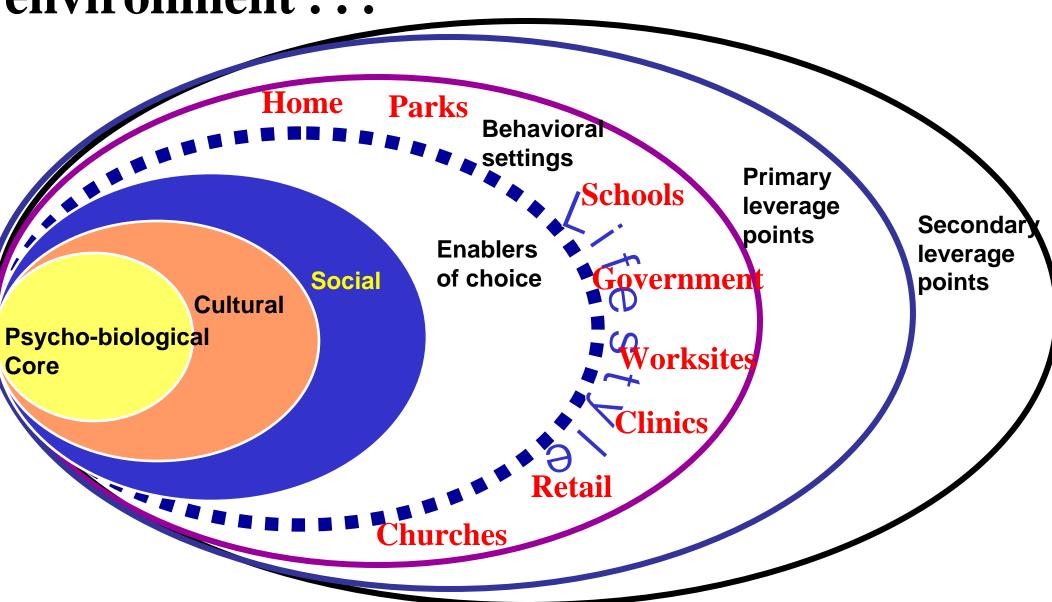
**Biology Genetics** 

Social/Cultural Environment

#### **Small Changes to the Environment**

- Opportunities for making behavior changes
- Reasons for making behavior changes

# Integrating the individual with the environment . . .





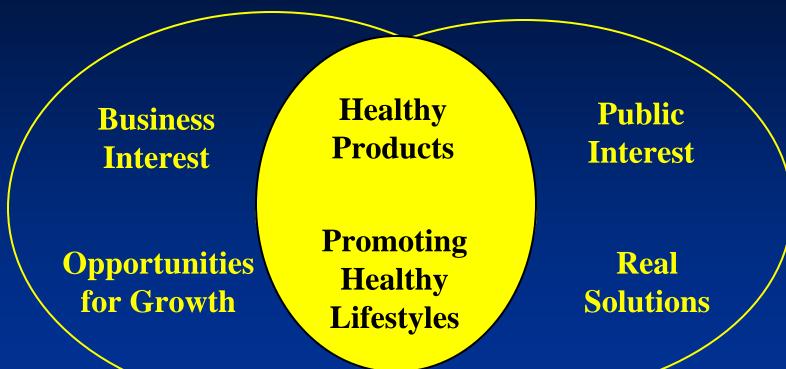
#### **Changing the Environment in Communities**

- Communities want to change but don't know how
- This is an issue for everyone in the community, it is just that some don't know it yet
- Small changes everyone does a little
- It will take time

## Where do you Start: Potential Allies

- Developers/planners/builders
- Media
- Service organizations
- Hospitals
- HMOs/managed care/insurers
- Local foundations
- Local colleges/universities
- State/local health departments
- Others interested in health promotion

#### **Involvement of Private Sector**





#### **Private Sector**

- Grocery Stores
- Restaurants
- Sporting goods stores
- Health clubs, spas, YMCA
- Hotels/convention center
- Realtors
- Hospitals/physicians

- Automobile dealers
- Computer stores
- Media
- Parks & Recreation
- Developers
- Big Retail Stores/Malls
- Other merchants



## **PepsiCo Smart Spot**









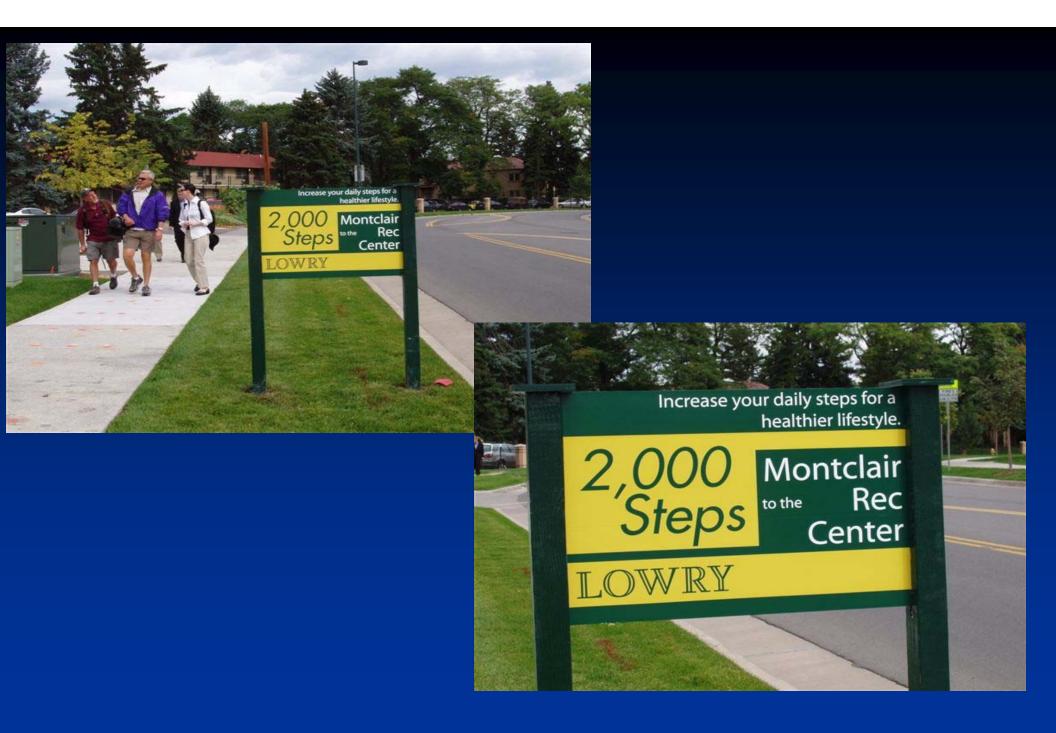










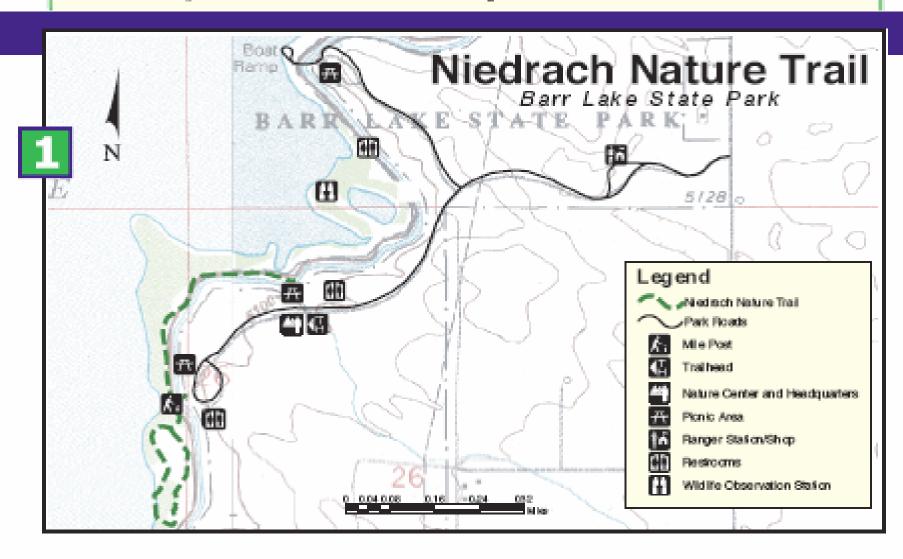


#### 1 - Niedrach Nature Trail

Distance Round-trip: 2.2 miles (4,400 steps)

Surface: natural/boardwalk

Difficulty: easy



# How does healthier living become institutionalized?

- Policies to sustain changes
- Understand economics
- Community health protection act

#### **How to Measure Success?**

- Success in the process of engaging the community
- Measuring environmental change
- Measuring behavioral change
- Quality of life in the community
- Economic consequences

Communities as Learning Labs

## Provide a "big" Vision

- Need a "big program" to emerge from the background noise
- Change from within everyone can contribute a little
- Fits with values of the community
- Healthy living becomes "business as usual"